

1 reason. In the last two years there have been three very
2 significant church-state cases of which the Mann case
3 was one. The first was Murray v. Comptroller which
4 held that the Maryland exemption granted to churches
5 and houses of worship and parsonages was not unconstitutional
6 either under the Maryland Constitution or the Federal
7 Constitution. That was the unanimous decision of the
8 Court of Appeals.

9 The next case in sequence was Horace Mann,
10 which held that Notre Dame College, St. Josephs at
11 Emmittsburg, and Western Maryland College were so sec-
12 tarian that under their interpretation of the First
13 Amendment it violated the no establishment clause under
14 criteria which it set up, as you pointed out.

15 The third case was the Truitt vs. Tawes case
16 which said that even though a hospital may be sponsored
17 by a religious organization, the State in granting loans
18 to it did not violate either the Maryland Constitution
19 or the religion clauses of the First Amendment because of
20 the public purpose it serves, as you pointed out, despite
21 the fact there were chapels in the hospital, and there was